

Back Mountain Bloomers invite flower show entries

The 1996 Northeast Pennsylvania Flower Show, "Celebrate the Garden", will be held at the Kingston Armory April 26 through April 28 from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday.

Now in its fourth year, the Northeast Pennsylvania Flower Show is presented by the Back Mountain Bloomers Garden Club, winners of the prestigious 'National Flower Show Achievement Award'.

All proceeds will benefit the Northeastern Pennsylvania Philharmonic. Tickets are \$6 for adults, \$3 for children under 12 and children under three free. Tickets will only be sold at the

event.

The club encourages area residents to enter classes for amateur growers and designers, as well as two classes available for commercial florists and landscapers. Entrants need not belong to a garden club to enter plants or designs and there is no entry fee.

For amateur adult exhibitors Division I, *Horticulture*, has 66 different classes, including orchids, bulbs, perennials, flowering cut branches, container grown plants, hanging containers, collection of five or more specimens and displays where horticulturists with an artistic flair can design a 5x5' display of their plants

using accessories.

Amateur adult exhibitors can also enter Division II, *Design*, which has 12 different classes including an American Victorian design, a design using all fresh plant material incorporating fresh fruit and/or vegetables ("the Potager"), a design using all fresh plant material, an expressive abstract design ("Serendipity"), a still life design ("Weather Permitting"), a vignette ("Honey, Do...Days"), Alfresco dining on a picnic table ("In the Grove"), a functional informal buffet table ("Twilight on the Terrace"), a functional tray ("Break Time"), and miniature designs featuring all fresh plant

material ("Lilliput Posies"), all dried plant material ("Wee Harvest"), and a combination of fresh and dried material ("Nymphs and Gnomes").

This year, Division III, *Special Exhibits*, has grown tremendously, to include adult educational exhibits, featuring 15x15' garden designs ("Gardens on Parade"), an exhibit on mastery in the art of bonsai ("Elfin Twists"), and exhibit on orchid culture and educational exhibits which promote the garden club's goals on preservation, conservation, appreciation and enjoyment of the environment.

Special Exhibits Division is

where the youth of the area get to shine. Youth - Junior, grades 1-6, will be displaying horticulture, design ("Mother Goose's Garden") plus educational exhibits consisting of dioramas of a garden ("How Does Your Garden Grow?"). Youth - Intermediate, grades 7-9, will show off their green thumbs in horticulture, design and educational exhibits, the latter being all dried plant material designs for a maze garden ("A-Mazing"). Youth - High School, grades 10-12, will also display their horticulture, three classes of design, and a backyard garden exhibit ("Inside the Garden Gate").

Artistic Crafts is the newest sec-

tion of the show. This, too, will be a part of Special Exhibits, including a Pot-et-Fleur ("Tapestry"), a wreath and a design of pressed plant material ("Harvesting the Rainbow").

Rounding out the schedule are the two commercial exhibits, a class for professional floral designers ("A Touch of Monet") and a class for professional landscapers ("Dress the Ground").

Show schedules, which include the rules and entry information, are available by request. Send your name and address along with two first class postage stamps to: BMBGC, PO Box 125, Dallas, PA 18612.

State park features guest speakers

Frances Slocum State Park is beginning a new season of environmental education and historical interpretation.

Frances Slocum State Park offers numerous personalized programs for any organized groups. A variety of hikes and activities are offered at the park to groups of all ages. The naturalist will also conduct a guest talk on a number of topics.

All programs are free, but you must pre-register. Programs can be conducted Sunday through Thursday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. during April, May and June. To sign up a club, group or organization, please contact the park at the 696-3525 and ask for the park naturalist Jerry Kozlansky.

If you are a person with a disability and you wish to participate in any of the programs please contact Jerry Kozlansky at 696-3525 or Pennsylvania AT&T Relay - Service 1-800-654-5984 (TDD).



Troop 650 holds investiture ceremony

Girl Scout Brownie Troop 650 recently held an investiture/rededication ceremony as part their Girl Scouting program at the Dallas Elementary School. Participating in this event were: first row, from left, Hillary Adams, Jacqueline Opel, Alyssa Miller, Amanda Musto, Kenslie Kerestes; second row, Rebecca Travis, Jacqueline Arnaud, Megan Youells, Sara Swepston, Kelly Murphy, Nicole Appel, Mia Esopi, Julia Ross; third row, Alyse Miller, Tara Whispell, Stephanie Pace, Nicole Brezinski, Brittani Dunn, Katie Szalkowski, Kira Szulborski, Maria Pizzo. Troop leaders are Deb Serfass and Katie Youells.

Holy Week services at Shavertown UM Church

Worship Services at the Shavertown United Methodist Church are as follows: Holy Thursday, 12:15 p.m. - Holy Communion; 7:30 p.m. - Holy Communion and Tenebrae.

Good Friday, 2 p.m. - Community service at Trucksville United Methodist Church.

Holy Saturday, 5:30 p.m. - Easter Vigil.
Easter Sunday, 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Services of the Resurrection.

Lehman UM Church to host Easter services

The Friendship Class of the Lehman United Methodist Church will host the Easter sunrise service at the church April 7, at 6:10.

A 20 minute organ prelude will be presented by Mrs. Dorothy Dawe, church organist.

The service will begin at 6:30 a.m. led by the Reverend Mr. Richard A. Santella, who will also present the Easter Message. Rolls and beverages will be served after the service. The public is invited.

Easter service at Sweet Valley Church

The Sweet Valley Church of Christ invites all to experience the Easter Musical, "Lord of Life - Savior, Healer, Friend," to be presented on Friday and Saturday, April 5 and 6 at 7 p.m. nightly.

The Sweet Valley Church of Christ is located on Main Road, Sweet Valley, approximately 2.5 miles from the intersection of Route 118 (Sheldon's Diner). Call 477-2320 for more information concerning this musical and other special Easter Services.

Revival Meetings at Noxen Bible Church

The public is invited to a week of Resurrection Revival Meetings at the Independent Bible Church of Noxen, April 7-12 at 7 p.m. The Grant Family Evangelistic Ministries from Glenford, Ohio, will be on hand.

A nursery will be provided. For a ride or more information call 298-2030.

Sweet Valley Auxiliary to sell homemade soup

The Sweet Valley Fire Company Ladies' Auxiliary will sell homemade vegetable beef and ham and bean soup April 10 at the fire hall, Main Road, Sweet Valley.

To order call 477-2176 or 477-5502 by April 5, cost is \$2.50 per quart. Bring your own containers for pick-up between noon and 5 p.m.

Literacy group seeks tutors

The Wyoming Valley Literacy Volunteers will host a series of training workshops for prospective literacy tutors on April 13, 20 and 27, from 9:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Hoyt Library, 284 Wyoming Avenue, Kingston.

There is a need for volunteers. Present tutors include men and women ranging in age from college students to retirees. No previous teaching experience is necessary. The only requirements

are an ability to read well, and a desire to help others achieve functional literacy in English. Tutors usually spend about two hours a week with their students. The tutoring sessions take place at a local library convenient to the tutor and pupil.

For more information, and to register for the workshops, call Mary Callahan at the Literacy Volunteers office, 287-2013, by April 8.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES

BACK MOUNTAIN HARVEST ASSEMBLY - 340 Carverton Rd., Trucksville. 696-1128. Pastor, Daniel S. Miller. Sunday School for all ages. 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Wed., 7 p.m., "Out of Bounds" youth service. Midweek home groups; call for days and times. Weekday prayer 6:30-7:30 a.m. Visitors welcome.

DALLAS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - 4 Parsonage St., Dallas. 675-0122. Rev. Michael A. Bealla, Pastor. Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Sunday School 9 a.m.

SHAVERTOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - 163 N. Pioneer Ave., Shavertown. 675-3616. Pastors: Rev. James A. Wert, Rev. Harriet L. Santos. Music Dir., John Vaida. SATURDAY: 5:30 p.m., Chapel Service; SUNDAY: 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Worship Services. Visitors expected. PHONE-A-PRAYER 675-4666.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH - 196 N. Main St., Shavertown. Sunday Worship 8:30 & 11 a.m.; Sunday School 9:45 a.m. Holy Communion 1st Sunday of the month and festivals. Cry Room and Nursery available. Phone 675-3859. Everyone Welcome.

HUNTSVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - 2355 Huntsville Rd. Family Worship Service 9:15 a.m. For professional counseling service appts., call 826-0075. Dr. Rudolph Libeck, Pastor. We practice ecumenism.

June Nelson to speak at annual library luncheon

The Eighth Annual "Luncheon With a Special Author", sponsored by the Friends of the Back Mountain Memorial Library will be held April 25 at The Appletree Terrace, Newberry Estate, Dallas, with a social period starting at 11:30 a.m. and luncheon at 12 noon.

Dallas resident June Nelson, author, playwright and poet, will read from her anthology, *Double Vision*.

An active community leader in Wilkes-Barre, her volunteer positions have included Chairman of the Women's Division of the United Way, president of Jewish Counseling Service, and president of the Wyoming Valley Jewish Federation. She has also taught philosophy and English literature at Wilkes University, and is the author of the play, "Shadows in the Sun".

Nelson received her AB from Barnard College. She was married for 50 years to the late Charles Nelson, a furniture manufacturer. She is the mother of four children, three writers and an architect-designer, and is also a grandmother.

In the past several years, she has become widely known in Key West, FL, for her poetry and presentations.

To make reservations, call the Back Mountain Memorial Library at 675-1182. Tickets are priced at \$16.50. Proceeds benefit the library. Checks should be made payable to the Library and mailed to 96 Huntsville Road, Dallas, PA 18612.

The deadline for reservations is April 15. Seating preferences will be honored.

Petrillo to speak at ASTA dinner April 16

Attorney Charles Petrillo will be the guest speaker at the Anthracite Scenic Trails Association's third annual dinner meeting April 16 at Andy Perugini's Restaurant on Charles St., Kingston.

His topic will be the transportation history of the Susquehanna River, concentrating on the canal systems.

The meeting will begin at 6 p.m. with a greeting, followed by dinner at 6:30 and Petrillo's discussion at 7:45. Cost is \$14 per person. To make reservations, call Judy Rimple at 675-9016.

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